

# Israeli Rockets Slam Arafat's Compound

The Associated Press

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — In a day of incendiary violence that left Mideast peacemaking in ashes, Israeli helicopters rocketed Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's compound Thursday in retaliation for the mutilation of three Israeli soldiers by a mob of enraged Palestinians. Late Thursday, Arafat spoke in a conference call with President Clinton and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, Arafat's office said. The day began with U.N. Secretary-

General Kofi Annan and CIA chief George Tenet trying to broker a truce to end two weeks of daily fighting. But it degenerated swiftly, with both sides unleashing pent-up rage. The Palestinians inflicted the worst losses yet on Israeli troops, while Israel's combat helicopters staged unprecedented attacks on high-profile Palestinian targets and tanks rumbled to the outskirts of Palestinian cities. One Israeli rocket struck 150 feet from Arafat's seaside residential headquarters, with the Palestinian leader inside at the time, his aides said.

"This is a declaration of war — a crazy war," said Saeb Erekat, a senior Palestinian official.

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak said Arafat "does not appear to be a partner for peace at this time."

Barak said he held Arafat indirectly responsible for the killing of the soldiers, and said Israel would hunt down those involved. He demanded that the United States publicly affix blame to Arafat for the collapse of the peace talks and the escalation of violence.

Barak also renewed calls to the hawkish opposition party Likud to join an emergency coalition. Likud has rebuffed Barak in the past, saying it would join only if he abandoned the peace talks. However, opposition leader Ariel Sharon — whose visit to a contested Jerusalem shrine two weeks ago triggered the violence — met with Barak Thursday.

Thursday's turmoil appeared to extinguish hopes that Israel and the Palestinians could soon negotiate a truce and end 15 days of bloodshed that have left at least 95 people dead.

## MOESER

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the Board of Trustees. A search for a vice chancellor for research is still in progress. But possibly the most important issue facing Moeser is the bond package, which will go before N.C. voters in November. If the referendum passes, UNC will reap about \$500 million in benefits. The money will be used to fund capital improvements on campus that Moeser says are of critical need, particularly for scientific research.

"Indeed, this is a defining moment for all of higher education in North Carolina, for the future of this state," he said. "Our potential is limited only by inadequate physical spaces for science."

While establishing relationships with UNC students, faculty members and staff will take some time for Moeser, it did not take him long to familiarize himself with the University's needs.

"I have visited the laboratories of faculty who are doing cutting-edge research that has the potential to cure diseases and improve all of our lives, work that is hampered by the physical limitations of old buildings not suited for today's science."

And Moeser has gone one step forward — a simple pledge that could have enormous repercussions for UNC. "My pledge to the people of North Carolina is to take that investment and triple it in terms of private support to this University through our upcoming campaign."

While in the fledgling months of his term, Moeser has impressed many who harbor high hopes that he will take Hooker's dreams to a higher plane.

"He is taking (UNC) to the next level, and I am proud of that," said Bill Roper, dean of the School of Public Health. "He shows high sensitivity to the issues confronting us and I think he's worthy of taking us into the 21st century."

Journalism Professor Chuck Stone served on the search committee that chose Hooker and said he sees many sim-

ilarities between the two chancellors. "If he can carry out Hooker's vision and make it his own and find the synergy of the two visions, then I think he will do well."

If Moeser pushes the momentum of the Carolina First Campaign, an effort to draw private donations from alumni, and is successful, UNC will be a major step closer to Moeser's ultimate goal.

"We have before us the potential of a new defining moment for Carolina — the possibility of being not only the first, but the best, the leading, the pre-eminent public university in America," he said. "In that spirit, I accept the challenge of leading this great University into a new age."

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## DEBATE

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fringe of the crowd to watch the debate, draped in banners painted with political slogans that were previously tied to their table, trying to stay warm.

Besides yelling support for their favorite candidates, the crowd also cheered enthusiastically when Wait Chapel, where the debate was being held in a nearby quad, flashed across the big-screen television on C-SPAN.

For the second time in the school's history, a presidential debate was taking place on their campus.

Holland said the debate had created a mild hassle for the students, but the

benefits for the school outweighed the inconveniences.

"It's worth it," he said. "If they build on it after this, it can be good for our school."

Besides the fact that his university was the nation's political center of attention for the 90-minute debate, junior Matt Thompson of Boston said watching the debate also was exciting because it included people who would have an impact on the future.

"One of these men will most likely be our president for the next eight years," Thompson said. "We'll look back on it and he was at our school."

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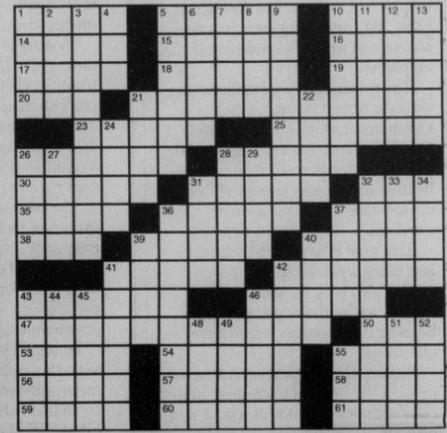


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By Frances Burton

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  - 18 Send payment
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  - 26 Oust
  - 28 Sultry singer
  - 30 Happening
  - 31 Soprano Callas
  - 32 Escape
  - 35 Black and Red
  - 36 Gin's partner
  - 37 Large bundle
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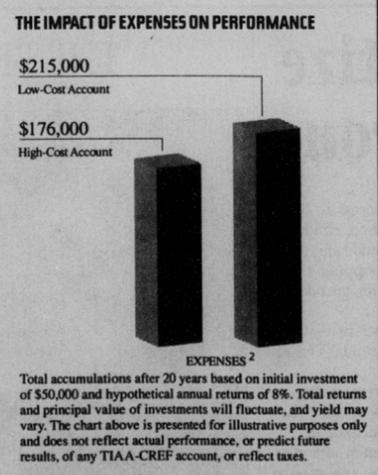


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